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FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SOBER FROM CHARGE MIKLOS

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR--MILITARY AIRLIFT FOR
EXHIBIT MATERIALS

REF: TEHRAN 4250

1. REFTEL REQUESTED STATE ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING DOD AIRLIFT
FOR INFLATABLE AIR STRUCTURE FROM DOVER (GROSS WEIGHT 20,000
POUNDS, CUBIC DIMENSIONS 40 FEET X 8 X 8) AND USIS EXHIBIT FROM
ZAIRO (3,800 POUNDS, 672 CUBIC FEET). REFTEL WRITTEN UNDER
ASSUMPTION THAT COST TRANSPORT BOTH ITEMS WOULD NOT EXCEED
\$10,000; HOWEVER, RECENT INQUIRY TO DOD RESULTED IN ESTIMATE
ABOUT \$30,000 FOR TWO ITEMS.

2. POST FAIR BUDGET CANNOT POSSIBLY ABSORB \$30,000 FREIGHT
CHARGES AND WE WILL BE OBLIGED TO DRASTICALLY CURTAIL PLANS,
POSSIBLY ELIMINATING USIS EXHIBIT, IF REDUCTION MAC CHARGES NOT
OBTAINED. SUCH CURTAILMENT UNADVISABLE SINCE FAIR IS PRIMARILY
AN IMAGE EXHIBIT AND MAJOR EFFORT BY USG IS IN NATIONAL INTEREST.
ALSO, EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS ARE HEAVILY SUBSIDIZING 1975 TRADE
FAIR PARTICIPATION (GERMAN GOVERNMENT WILL CONTRIBUTE \$100,000
TOWARD PARTICIPATION AND BRITISH GOVERNMENT ABOUT \$150,000).

3. WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE YOUR APPROACHING ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS TO ATTEMPT OBTAIN AND
EXCEPTION FOR FEES CHARGED UNDER CHAPTER 14 OF DOD DIRECTIVE
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4515.13-R DATED 6 FEBRUARY 1975. IF POSSIBLE, WE WOULD REQUEST

TRANSPORT ON NON-REIMBURSABLE BASIS; OTHERWISE, \$10,000 IS
MAXIMUM BUDGET WILL PERMIT.

4. I GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR COORDINATING MATTER AND HOPE
ANSWER WILL BE FORTHCOMING BY END MAY.

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